



NEWS RELEASE
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United States Attorney Deborah R. Gilg, the Nebraska Attorney Generals Office, and the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services announce the following information for the attention of the media:

Event Triggering this Release: The Honorable Richard G. Kopf, United States District Judge in Lincoln, Nebraska, on April 27, 2010, sentenced Lamont Gillham to 3 months imprisonment, followed by 3 years of supervised release, resulting from Gillham's conviction for health care fraud. The federal sentence is to run consecutively to Mr. Gillham's current sentence imposed upon him following his conviction for violating the terms of his probation on charges from the Eastern District of Virginia.

Mr. Gillham is a dentist originally from Nebraska who did his dental residency at a Veterans Administration hospital in Virginia, where he was caught stealing dental drill bits & selling them on eBay. He was prosecuted federally in Virginia, convicted of theft in connection with health care, and sentenced to 5 years probation on February 1, 2005. On September 20, 2005, he also received a 5 year exclusion from billing the federal government or Medicaid for providing health care services.

Upon his return to Nebraska Mr. Gillham started working at Emergency Dental in Omaha in March of 2007. He treated Medicaid patients, causing Emergency Dental to bill Medicaid approximately \$25,903 for his services. Mr. Gillham knew he was suspended, and could not cause Medicaid to be billed for his dental services. On June 1, 2007 the State of Nebraska learned he was excluded, and so notified Emergency Dental. The improper billings stopped, and full restitution has been made by Emergency Dental. The investigation uncovered no evidence of substandard dental care by Mr. Gillham, nor any evidence that billings were submitted for work which hadn't been performed.

Mr. Gillham was indicted by a federal grand jury in October, 2009, pled guilty in February, 2010, and was sentenced on April 27, 2010.

Name of Defendant: Lamont Gillham

AKA:

Age: 38

City of Residence: Omaha, Nebraska

Crime(s) Charged and Potential Penalty: Health Care Fraud - 10 years imprisonment; \$250,000 fine; 3 years term of supervised release, and \$100 special assessment.

Specific Location of Alleged Crime: Omaha, Nebraska

Location of Arrest: N/A

Alleged Dollar Loss/Type and Quantity of Drug: N/A

Others Charged in Same Scheme: None

Relevant Dates:

Date of Alleged Crime: 03/31/2007 and 07/31/2007

Federal Arrest Date: N/A

Date Complaint Issued: N/A

Indictment Returned Date: 10/21/2009

Initial Appearance Date: 12/16/2009

Plea or Trial and Date(s): 02/25/2010

Sentencing Date: 04/27/2010

Assigned Magistrate Judge: Cheryl R. Zwart

Held without Bond, or Released from Custody: In Custody

In Continuous Custody Since: 12/16/2009

Assigned District Court Judge: Richard Kopf

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